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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
OSAMU KAKINUMA : GROUP ART UNIT: 3679
SERIAL NO: 09/956,912 :
FILED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2001 : EXAMINER: BOCHNA, D.
FOR: BRANCH PIPE JOINT AND :
METHOD OF CONNECTING...

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LETTER REQUESTING APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES

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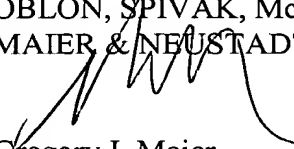
SIR:

Please review for approval the proposed changes to the Formal Drawings shown in **RED** on the attached photocopies of the drawings.

Once these changes have been reviewed and approved by the Examiner in charge of this case, instructions for their implementation will be forwarded to an approved bonded draftsman.

Respectfully submitted,

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